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PATENT

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant	:	Matsumoto, Kazuko
Appl. No.	:	09/771,439
Filed	:	January 26, 2001
For	:	METHOD FOR SEPARATING AND COLLECTING NUCLEIC ACIDS
Examiner	:	Zitomer, Stephanie W.
Group Art Unit	:	1634

**AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed July 30, 2003, Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to enter the following amendments and consider the following arguments.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

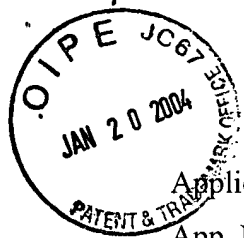
**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.

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# AMENDMENT / RESPONSE TRANSMITTAL

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing in the above-identified application are the following enclosures:

(X) Amendment in 8 pages.

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